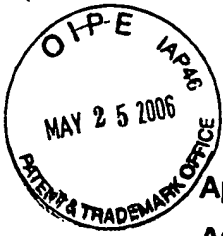


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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Dear Sir,

This amendment is in reply to the Final Office Action dated March 22, 2006. No fees are believed to be due at this time; however, please charge any deficiency or overpayment to deposit account number 502023.

The applicant requests reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following amendment and remarks.